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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

- QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2004

OR

- TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission file number: 001-31740

**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

51-0405729  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**City Center West, Suite 400**  
**7201 West Lake Mead Blvd.**  
**Las Vegas, Nevada 89128**  
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**(702) 804-5200**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant: (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

As of July 30, 2004, there were 131,477,794 shares of common stock, \$.01 par value per share, outstanding.

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FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

Certain matters in this Form 10-Q, including, without limitation, certain matters discussed in Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and in Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk, constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Forward-looking statements are typically identified by the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," and similar expressions. In addition, any statements that refer to expectations or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and that matters referred to in such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results, performance or achievements of Citadel Broadcasting Corporation to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among other things, the impact of current or pending legislation and regulation, antitrust considerations and other risks and uncertainties, as well as those matters discussed under the captions "Forward-Looking Statements" and "Risk Factors" in Item 1 of our Annual Report Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003. Citadel Broadcasting Corporation undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise these forward-looking statements because of new information, future events or otherwise.

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**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Condensed Balance Sheets**  
(in thousands, except share and per share data)  
(unaudited)

ASSETS	<u>June 30,</u> <u>2004</u>	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2003</u>
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 5,899	\$ 3,467
Accounts receivable, net	79,676	76,262
Prepaid expenses and other current assets (including deferred income tax assets of \$2,919 and \$3,102, respectively)	6,312	7,554
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>91,887</b>	<b>87,283</b>
Property and equipment, net	96,855	97,859
FCC licenses	1,420,539	1,349,808
Goodwill	644,409	608,646
Other intangibles, net	33,425	84,832
Assets held for sale	40,885	-
Other assets, net	16,872	20,905
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,344,872</b>	<b>\$ 2,249,333</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
Current liabilities:		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 28,242	\$ 26,519
Current maturities of notes payable and other long-term obligations	16,605	8,583
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>44,847</b>	<b>35,102</b>
Senior debt	252,350	159,980
Convertible subordinated notes	330,000	-
Subordinated debt	-	500,000
Other long-term obligations, less current maturities	23,552	24,612
Deferred income tax liabilities	311,389	297,195
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>962,138</b>	<b>1,016,889</b>
<b>Commitments and contingencies</b>		
<b>Shareholders' equity:</b>		
Preferred stock, \$.01 par value authorized, 200,000,000 shares		

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at June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003; no shares issued or  
outstanding at June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003

Common stock, \$.01 par value authorized, 500,000,000 shares at

June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003; issued and outstanding,

132,507,094 and 122,865,469 shares at June 30, 2004 and

December 31, 2003

Additional paid-in capital

Deferred compensation

Accumulated deficit

Total shareholders' equity

Total liabilities and shareholders' equity

1,325

1,645,355

(2,328)

(261,618)

1,382,734

\$ 2,344,872

1,229

1,468,508

(4,928)

(232,365)

1,232,444

\$ 2,249,333

See accompanying notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.

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**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Condensed Statements of Operations**  
(in thousands, except share and per share data)  
(unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
Net broadcasting revenue	\$ 107,284	\$ 95,429	\$ 194,202	\$ 172,600
Operating Expenses:				
Cost of revenues, exclusive of depreciation and amortization shown separately below	28,275	24,866	53,916	47,171
Selling, general and administrative	31,584	28,364	60,486	54,962
Corporate general and administrative	2,934	2,622	5,535	4,943
Corporate non-cash stock compensation	854	2,135	2,600	6,022
Local marketing agreement fees	496	586	1,023	981
Depreciation and amortization	30,844	35,355	62,364	70,811
Other, net	-	32	(172)	35
Operating expenses	94,987	93,960	185,752	184,925
Operating income (loss)	12,297	1,469	8,450	(12,325)
Non-operating expenses:				
Interest expense, net, including amortization of debt issuance costs of \$515, \$916, \$1,035 and \$1,830, respectively	3,490	13,673	9,718	27,659
Write off of deferred financing costs due to extinguishment of debt	-	-	10,649	-
Non-operating expenses, net	3,490	13,673	20,367	27,659
Income (loss) before income taxes	8,807	(12,204)	(11,917)	(39,984)
Income tax expense	8,532	6,750	17,336	12,813
Net income (loss)	\$ 275	\$ (18,954)	\$ (29,253)	\$ (52,797)

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Net income (loss) per share - basic	-	(\$0.20)	(\$0.23)	(\$0.55)
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Net income (loss) per share - diluted	-	(\$0.20)	(\$0.23)	(\$0.55)
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Weighted average common shares  
outstanding:

Basic	132,506,216	96,134,329	129,963,733	96,134,329
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Diluted	135,660,294	96,134,329	129,963,733	96,134,329
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See accompanying notes to consolidated condensed financial statements

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**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows**  
(in thousands)  
(unaudited)

	<b>Six Months Ended</b>	
	<b>June 30,</b>	
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net loss	\$ (29,253)	\$ (52,797)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	62,364	70,811
Write off of deferred financing costs due to extinguishment of debt	10,649	-
Amortization of debt issuance costs	1,035	1,830
Deferred income taxes	15,999	12,183
Stock compensation expense	2,600	6,022
(Gain) loss on sale of assets	(167)	56
Changes in operating assets and liabilities, net of acquisitions:		
Accounts receivable	(1,931)	(1,773)
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(1,147)	(1,210)
Accounts payable, accrued liabilities and other obligations	(817)	(3,823)
	59,332	31,299
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Capital expenditures	(4,295)	(3,162)
Cash paid to acquire stations	(155,816)	(38,208)
Proceeds from sale of assets	2,824	779
Other assets, net	924	(347)
	(156,363)	(40,938)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Retirement of subordinated debt	(500,000)	-
Issuance of convertible subordinated notes	330,000	-
Debt issuance costs	(7,755)	(53)
Proceeds from senior debt	191,500	98,000
Principal payments on senior debt	(91,000)	(84,000)
Principal payments on other long-term obligations	(300)	(230)
Principal and interest received on shareholder notes	1,208	766
Proceeds from public stock offerings, net of costs incurred	175,669	(303)
Exercise of stock options, net of costs incurred	141	-
Net repurchases of shares of Class B common stock	-	(1,900)



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Net cash provided by financing activities	99,463	12,280
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	2,432	2,641
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	3,467	2,134
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	\$ 5,899	\$ 4,775

See accompanying notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.

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**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Consolidated Condensed Statements of Cash Flows (Continued)**  
(in thousands)  
(unaudited)

	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>	
	<b>2004</b>	<b>2003</b>
<i>Supplemental schedule of investing activities</i>		
The Company completed various radio station acquisitions during the six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003. In connection with these acquisitions, certain liabilities were assumed.		
Fair value of assets acquired	\$ 156,493	\$ 43,233
Cash paid to acquire stations	(155,816)	(38,208)
Liabilities assumed	\$ 677	\$ 5,025

*Supplemental schedule of cash flow information*

## Cash Payments:

Interest	\$ 6,499	\$ 26,602
Income taxes	903	540
Barter Transactions:		
Barter Revenue - included in gross broadcasting revenue	4,473	3,468
Barter Expenses - included in cost of revenues	4,167	3,390

See accompanying notes to consolidated condensed financial statements.

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**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES**  
**Notes to Consolidated Condensed Financial Statements**  
**(unaudited)**

**1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION**

Citadel Broadcasting Corporation was incorporated in Delaware in 1993 but did not have any business or assets until it was capitalized by partnerships affiliated with Forstmann Little & Co. ( FL&Co. ) in connection with the acquisition of substantially all of the outstanding common stock of Citadel Communications Corporation in a leveraged buyout transaction. In July 2004, Citadel Communications Corporation was liquidated into Citadel Broadcasting Corporation. Citadel Broadcasting Corporation owns all of the issued and outstanding common stock of Citadel Broadcasting Company. Citadel Broadcasting Company owns and operates radio stations and holds Federal Communications Commission ( FCC ) licenses in twenty-four states. Radio stations serving the same geographic area (i.e., principally a city or combination of cities) are referred to as a market. The Company aggregates the markets in which it operates into one reportable segment as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 131, *Disclosures about Segments of an Enterprise and Related Information*.

The accompanying unaudited consolidated condensed financial statements of Citadel Broadcasting Corporation and Subsidiaries (the "Company") have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q and Article 10 of Regulation S-X. Accordingly, they do not include all of the information and notes required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America for complete financial statements. In the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary for a fair presentation of results of the interim periods have been made, and such adjustments were of a normal and recurring nature. Operating results for the six months ended June 30, 2004 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2004. For further information, refer to the consolidated financial statements and notes thereto included in Citadel Broadcasting Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.

Certain prior year amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year's presentation.

*Use of Estimates*

Management of the Company has made a number of estimates and assumptions relating to the reporting of assets and liabilities, revenue and expenses and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities to prepare these financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

*Allowance for Doubtful Accounts*

The Company recognizes an allowance for doubtful accounts based on historical experience of bad debts as a percent of its aged outstanding receivables, adjusted for improvements or deteriorations in current economic conditions. Accounts receivable, net on the accompanying consolidated condensed balance sheets consisted of the following:

	<b>June 30, 2004</b>	<b>December 31, 2003</b>
(in thousands)		
Trade receivables	\$ 83,281	\$ 80,014
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(3,605)	(3,752)
	\$ 79,676	\$ 76,262
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 79,676	\$ 76,262

*Recent Accounting Pronouncements*

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51, Consolidated Financial Statements*. FIN No. 46 was effective for one transaction entered into by the Company in 2003. The FASB amended FIN No. 46 in December of 2003. The revised provisions of FIN No. 46 were effective for the Company in the first quarter of 2004, and FIN

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No. 46 was applicable for one additional transaction entered into by the Company in the second quarter of 2004. This interpretation may be applied prospectively with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date on which it is first applied or by restating previously issued financial statements for one or more years with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the beginning of the first year restated.

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**2. STOCK-BASED COMPENSATION**

The Company accounts for stock-based compensation in accordance with the requirements of APB Opinion No. 25 *Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees*, and related interpretations. SFAS No. 123, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation*, as amended by SFAS No. 148, *Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation - Transition and Disclosure*, requires disclosure of the pro forma effects on net income and earnings per share as if the Company had adopted the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123. Had compensation cost for the Company's stock-based awards to employees been based on the fair value at the grant dates in accordance with the fair value provisions of SFAS No. 123, the Company's net income (loss) and net income (loss) per share for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 would have been changed to the pro forma amounts indicated below:

	<b>Three Months Ended June 30,</b>	<b>Six Months Ended June 30,</b>
<b>2004</b>		
<b>2003</b>		
<b>2004</b>		
<b>2003</b>		

(Amounts in thousands,  
except per share amounts)

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except per share amounts)

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(unaudited)

(unaudited)

Net income (loss) applicable to common shares,  
as reported

\$ 275

\$ (18,954

)  
\$ (29,253

)  
\$ (52,797

)  
Add: Corporate non-cash stock  
compensation expense 854

2,135

2,600

6,022

Deduct: Total stock-based employee  
compensation expense determined  
under fair value method

(2,949

) (2,992

) (6,314

) (7,781

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Net loss applicable to common shares,

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pro forma

\$	(1,820
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\$	(19,811
)	
\$	(32,967
)	
\$	(54,556
)	

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Basic and diluted net income (loss) per common share:

As reported

\$	-
\$	(0.20
)	
\$	(0.23
)	
\$	(0.55
)	

Pro forma

\$	(0.01
)	
\$	(0.21
)	
\$	(0.25

)  
\$  
)

(0.57)

For those awards that result in the recognition of compensation expense under APB Opinion No. 25, the Company records expense for each tranche of the award over the vesting period applicable to such tranche, which results in the accelerated recognition of compensation expense.

### 3. INTANGIBLE ASSETS AND GOODWILL

#### *Indefinite-Lived Intangibles and Goodwill*

Intangible assets consist primarily of Federal Communications Commission (FCC) broadcast licenses and goodwill, but also include certain other intangible assets acquired in purchase business combinations. Upon the adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ( SFAS ) No. 142 on January 1, 2002, the Company ceased amortization of goodwill and FCC licenses, which are indefinite-lived intangible assets. Other intangible assets are amortized on a straight-line basis over the contractual lives or estimated lives of the assets.

The changes in the carrying amounts of FCC licenses and goodwill for the period from December 31, 2003 through June 30, 2004 are as follows:



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	<u>FCC Licenses</u>	<u>Goodwill</u>
	(in thousands)	
Balance, December 31, 2003	\$ 1,349,808	\$ 608,646
Station acquisitions and other additions	124,682	24,523
Station dispositions	(1,666)	(346)
Reclassification of assets held for sale	(28,074)	(11,085)
Other	(24,211)	22,671
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>
Balance, June 30, 2004	\$ 1,420,539	\$ 644,409
	<u>                    </u>	<u>                    </u>

Other changes in the balances of FCC licenses and goodwill represent primarily adjustments resulting from the finalization of purchase price allocations.

***Definite-Lived Intangibles***

The Company's definite-lived intangible assets consist primarily of an advertiser base. The amount of the amortization expense for definite-lived intangible assets was \$25.8 million and \$30.5 million for the three months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively and \$52.4 million and \$61.2 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. As of June 30, 2004, other intangibles, net in the accompanying consolidated condensed balance sheet consists of \$33.4 million in unamortized definite-lived assets.

The following table presents the Company's estimate of amortization expense for each of the three succeeding years ending December 31, for definite-lived assets (in thousands):

	<u>Amortization Expense</u>
	(in thousands)
2004 (excludes the six months ended June 30, 2004)	20,059
2005	8,281
2006	3,350
	<u>                    </u>
	\$ 31,690
	<u>                    </u>

As acquisitions and dispositions occur in the future and as purchase price allocations are finalized, amortization expense may vary from the amounts detailed above.

**4. ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS**

***Completed Acquisitions***

During the six months ended June 30, 2004, the Company completed the acquisition of four radio stations in the Memphis, TN market and two radio stations in the Springfield, MA market for an aggregate cash purchase price of approximately \$122.2 million.

All of the Company's acquisitions have been accounted for using the purchase method of accounting. As such, the accompanying consolidated condensed balance sheets include the acquired assets and liabilities and the accompanying consolidated condensed statements of operations include the results of operations of the acquired entities from their respective dates of acquisition.

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Below is a table that details the preliminary purchase price allocations for all acquisitions completed in the first six months of 2004, as well as adjustments to the purchase price allocations of previously completed acquisitions. The purchase price allocations were based upon information available as of June 30, 2004. The Company is awaiting information to finalize its valuation of FCC licenses, property and equipment, other intangible assets, and certain other acquired assets and assumed liabilities. The final determination of the fair market value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed and final allocation of the purchase price may differ significantly from the amounts included in these financial statements. Adjustments to the purchase price allocation are expected to be finalized in 2004 or the first two quarters of 2005 and will be reflected in future filings. There can be no assurance that such adjustments will not be material.

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Asset Description	Acquisition of Memphis Radio Stations	Other Radio Station Acquisitions	Total	Asset lives
				(in thousands)
Property and equipment, net	\$ 3,832	\$ 1,946	\$ 5,778	3-25 years
FCC licenses	75,382	49,300	124,682	non-amortizing
Goodwill	20,037	4,486	24,523	non-amortizing
Other intangibles, net	955	555	1,510	6 to 36 months
Liabilities assumed	(9)	(668)	(677)	
Total aggregate purchase price	\$ 100,197	\$ 55,619	\$ 155,816	

The following summarized unaudited pro forma results of operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 assume that all significant radio station acquisitions and dispositions occurred as of January 1, of each period presented. These pro forma results have been prepared for comparative purposes only and do not purport to be indicative of the results of operations which actually would have resulted had the significant radio station acquisitions and dispositions occurred as of January 1, of each period presented, or the results of operations which may occur in the future.

	Pro Forma Three Months Ended June 30,		Pro Forma Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2004	2003	2004	2003
Net broadcasting revenue	\$ 108,282	\$ 103,485	\$ 198,423	\$ 188,224
Net income (loss)	259	(20,579)	(30,537)	(58,199)
Basic and diluted net loss per common share	\$ -	\$ (0.21)	\$ (0.23)	\$ (0.61)

**Completed Dispositions**

During the six months ended June 30, 2004, the Company sold six radio stations for an aggregate price of approximately \$3.0 million.

**Pending Acquisitions and Dispositions**

During the quarter ended June 30, 2004, the Company entered into an agreement to acquire one radio station for a purchase price of approximately \$16.0 million. In connection with this acquisition, the Company loaned \$16.0 million to the seller to obtain this station and has agreed to guarantee up to \$10.0 million of the seller's other financing for one year. As the Company has provided the seller's financing for the station that is to be acquired, this station has been consolidated into the Company's financial statements during the quarter ended June 30, 2004 under the guidance contained in FIN No. 46.

Additionally, in February 2004, the Company entered into an agreement to exchange five of its radio stations in the Bloomington, IL market for two stations in the Harrisburg/Lancaster, PA market and four stations in the Erie, PA market, plus a cash payment to the Company. The assets and liabilities of the Bloomington market have been classified as held for sale at June 30, 2004 in accordance with SFAS No. 144, *Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets*, as the criteria for such classification were met as of the end of the second quarter. The results of operations for this market have not been reclassified as discontinued operations due to the immateriality of the amounts.

Both of the station acquisitions described above were completed in July 2004.



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#### 5. SENIOR DEBT

Effective April 5, 2004, the Company amended its credit facility and, in connection therewith, activated a portion of its incremental revolving loan facility in the aggregate amount of \$57.5 million and a portion of its incremental term loan facility in the aggregate amount of \$57.5 million. The \$57.5 million borrowed under the incremental term loan facility was used to repay amounts outstanding under the revolving loan facility. Both the incremental term loan and revolving loan are due in full on March 31, 2009.

Below is a table that sets forth the rates and the amounts borrowed under the Company's senior debt facilities as of June 30, 2004 and December 31, 2003:

<u>Type of Borrowing</u>	<u>June 30, 2004</u>		<u>December 31, 2003</u>	
	<u>Amount of Borrowing</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Amount of Borrowing</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>
	(in thousands)		(in thousands)	
Term A	\$ 126,611	2.20 to 2.59%	\$ 69,111	2.19%
Revolving Loan	142,000	2.18 to 2.59%	99,000	2.17 to 4.00%

The increase in borrowings under the Company's senior debt was primarily due to the acquisition of radio stations during the first six months of 2004.

The required aggregate principal payments for the Term A loan for each of the succeeding twelve month periods and thereafter as of June 30, 2004 are as follows:

<u>Twelve Months Ending June 30,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
	(in thousands)
2005	\$ 16,261
2006	16,261
2007	16,262
2008	20,327
2009	57,500
Thereafter	-
	<u>\$ 126,611</u>

As of June 30, 2004, the Company has outstanding borrowings under revolving loans of \$142.0 million. In addition, the Company has \$2.1 million in letters of credit outstanding primarily related to pending acquisitions. Net of outstanding borrowings and letters of credit, the Company has \$113.4 million available for future borrowings under the revolving loans and incremental revolving loans as of June 30, 2004. Amounts outstanding under the revolving loans are due in full on June 26, 2008, and amounts outstanding under the incremental revolving loans are due in full on March 31, 2009.

The Company's senior debt credit agreement contains both non-financial and financial covenants, which place various restrictions on the Company. At December 31, 2003 and June 30, 2004, the Company was in compliance with all covenant provisions.

#### 6. SUBORDINATED DEBT AND CONVERTIBLE SUBORDINATED NOTES

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On June 26, 2001, the Company completed the issuance of \$500.0 million of 6% Subordinated Debentures ( 6% Debentures ). On February 18, 2004, the Company sold 9,630,000 shares of the Company's common stock at \$19.00 per share, before underwriting discounts of \$0.66 per share. Additionally, the Company concurrently sold \$330.0 million principal amount of convertible subordinated notes, before underwriting discounts of approximately \$6.6 million. The Company used all of the net proceeds from these transactions to retire the \$500.0 million of subordinated debentures. In connection with the repayment of the subordinated debentures, the Company wrote off deferred financing costs of approximately \$10.6 million, which is presented as write off of deferred financing costs due to extinguishment of debt on the accompanying consolidated condensed statements of operations. The convertible subordinated notes are due February of 2011 and were issued in a private placement to qualified institutional buyers in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A. The notes bear interest at a rate of 1.875% per annum, payable February 15 and August 15 each year. Holders may convert these notes into common stock at a conversion rate of 39.2157 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, equal to a conversion price of \$25.50 per share. The Company may redeem the notes at any time prior to maturity if the closing price of the Company's common stock has exceeded 150% of the conversion price then in effect for at least 20 trading days within a period of 30 consecutive trading days. Upon such a redemption, an additional payment would be due to the holders. Holders may require the Company to repurchase all or part of their notes at par plus accrued interest upon the occurrence of a fundamental change (as defined in the indenture governing the terms of the convertible subordinated notes). On May 13, 2004, the Company effected the shelf registration covering resales of its convertible subordinated notes with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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**7. SHAREHOLDERS EQUITY**

On February 18, 2004, the Company sold 9,630,000 shares, and certain shareholders sold 20,000,000 shares, of the Company's common stock at \$19.00 per share, before underwriting discount of \$0.66 per share. The proceeds of the shares of common stock sold by the Company were utilized as partial repayment of the Company's subordinated debt (see Note 6). As of June 30, 2004, the Company had 132,507,094 shares of common stock outstanding.

On June 29, 2004, the Company announced that its board of directors had authorized the Company to spend up to \$100.0 million to repurchase shares of its outstanding common stock. As of June 30, 2004, the Company had not repurchased any common stock under this program.

*Stock Option Plan*

In October 2002, the Company adopted the Citadel Broadcasting Corporation 2002 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") pursuant to which the Company's board of directors can grant options to officers, employees, directors and independent contractors. At December 31, 2003, the total number of shares of common stock that remain authorized, reserved and available for issuance under the Plan was 3,191,875, not including shares underlying outstanding grants. During the six months ended June 30, 2004, the Company granted 2,091,500 options to the Company's employees and directors. The options were granted with an exercise price equal to the common stock's fair market value at the date of grant. The stock options granted vest ratably over a four-year period commencing one year after the date of grant and expire on the earlier of 10 years from the date of grant or termination of employment. As of June 30, 2004, the total number of shares of common stock that remain authorized, reserved, and available for issuance under the plan was 1,249,437, not including shares underlying outstanding grants.

**8. INCOME TAXES**

Income tax expense for the three and six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 was primarily due to the amortization of indefinite-lived intangibles for income tax purposes, for which no benefit can be recognized in the financial statements until the assets are disposed of.

**9. NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE**

Net income per share is calculated in accordance with SFAS No. 128, *Earnings Per Share* which requires presentation of basic net income per share and diluted net income per share. Basic net income per share excludes dilution, and for the three months ended June 30, 2004 is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. During the three months ended June 30, 2004, diluted net income per share is computed in the same manner as basic net income after assuming issuance of common stock for all potentially dilutive equivalent shares, which includes (1) stock options (using the treasury stock method), and (2) the conversion of the Company's convertible subordinated notes after eliminating from net income the interest expense incurred on the convertible subordinated notes. Anti-dilutive instruments are not considered in this calculation. For the three months ended June 30, 2004, stock options were included in the calculation of net income per share as their effect was dilutive; however, the effect of the convertible subordinated notes was not included in the calculation of net income per share as the effect was anti-dilutive. During the six months ended June 30, 2004, basic net loss per share is computed by dividing loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. During the three and six months ended June 30, 2003, basic net loss per share is computed by dividing loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of Class A common shares outstanding for the period. The Company had options to issue 7,881,688 shares of common stock and 5,957,750 shares of Class A common stock outstanding as of June 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. However, these options and, in 2003, outstanding shares of Class B common stock have been excluded from the calculations of diluted net loss per share as their effect is antidilutive for the six months ended June 30, 2004 and for the three and six months ended June 30, 2003.

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**10. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES**

On October 1, 2003, the Company terminated its National Radio Sales Representation Agreement with McGavren Guild Radio, Inc. ( McGavren ). Based on McGavren s breach of its obligations, the Company believes that it properly terminated its relationship with McGavren. On October 23, 2003, McGavren filed an arbitration demand seeking damages in excess of \$65 million. The Company believes it has claims against McGavren for failure to perform under the agreement and, on November 20, 2003, the Company answered McGavren s arbitration demand and served its statement of counterclaim against McGavren. The Company intends to vigorously pursue its claim and defend the claim asserted by McGavren. Due to the inherent uncertainty of litigation, it is not possible at this time to predict the outcome of this case.

The Company entered into a new sales representation agreement with Katz Media Group, Inc.

The Company is involved in certain other legal actions and claims that arose in the ordinary course of the Company s business. Management believes that such litigation and claims will be resolved without a material effect on the Company s financial position and results of operations.



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**ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

**Forward-Looking Statements**

Certain matters in this Form 10-Q, including, without limitation, certain matters discussed in this Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and in Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk, constitute "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. Those statements include statements regarding the intent, belief or current expectations of Citadel Broadcasting Corporation and its subsidiaries (collectively the "Company"), its directors or its officers with respect to, among other things, future events and financial trends affecting the Company.

Forward-looking statements are typically identified by the words "believes," "expects," "anticipates," and similar expressions. In addition, any statements that refer to expectations or other characterizations of future events or circumstances are forward-looking statements. Readers are cautioned that any such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and that matters referred to in such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause actual results, performance or achievements of the Company to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among other things, the impact of current or pending legislation and regulation, antitrust considerations and other risks and uncertainties, as well as those matters discussed under the captions Forward-Looking Statements and Risk Factors in Citadel Broadcasting Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003. The Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise these forward-looking statements because of new information, future events or otherwise.

**Introduction**

Citadel Broadcasting Company was founded in 1991 and grew rapidly through acquisitions subsequent to the passage of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. In June 2001, affiliates of Forstmann Little & Co. acquired Citadel Broadcasting Company for an aggregate purchase price, including the redemption of debt and exchangeable preferred stock, of approximately \$2.0 billion (the Acquisition).

Our operating subsidiary, Citadel Broadcasting Company, owns and operates radio stations and holds Federal Communications Commission (FCC) licenses in twenty-four states.

**Sources of Revenue**

Our net broadcasting revenue is primarily derived from the sale of broadcasting time to local, regional and national advertisers. Net broadcasting revenue is gross revenue less agency commissions. Local revenue is comprised of advertising sales made within a station's local market or region either directly with the advertiser or through the advertiser's agency. National revenue represents sales made to advertisers/agencies who are purchasing advertising for multiple markets. These sales are typically facilitated by our national representation firm, which serves as our sales agent in these transactions. Our revenue is affected primarily by the advertising rates our radio stations charge as well as the overall demand for radio advertising time in a market. Advertising rates are based primarily on four factors:

- a radio station's audience share in the demographic groups targeted by advertisers, as measured principally by quarterly reports issued by The Arbitron Ratings Company, or Arbitron;
- the number of radio stations, as well as other forms of media, in the market competing for the same demographic groups;
- the supply of and demand for radio advertising time; and
- the size of the market.

In the radio broadcasting industry, seasonal revenue fluctuations are common and are due primarily to variations in advertising expenditures by local and national advertisers. Typically, revenue is lowest in the first calendar quarter of the year and highest in the second and fourth calendar quarters of the year.

**Components of Expenses**

Our most significant expenses are (1) sales costs, (2) programming expenses, (3) advertising and promotional expenses and (4) administrative and technical expenses. We strive to control these expenses by working closely with local management and centralizing functions such as finance, accounting, legal, human resources and management information systems. We also use our multiple stations, market presence and purchasing power to negotiate favorable rates with vendors.



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Depreciation and amortization of costs associated with the acquisition of radio stations and interest carrying charges historically have been significant factors in determining our overall profitability. Based on intangible assets currently held by us and the preliminary allocation of the aggregate purchase price of acquisitions completed during the six months ended June 30, 2004, and not giving effect to the closing of pending radio station acquisitions, we expect the total amortization expense incurred will continue to decrease due to the remaining weighted-average useful amortization period of intangible assets subject to amortization.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Our results of operations represent the operations of the radio stations owned or operated by us, or for which we provide sales and marketing services, during the applicable periods. The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying consolidated condensed financial statements and the related notes included in this report.

Historically, we have managed our portfolio of radio stations through selected acquisitions, dispositions and exchanges, as well as through the use of local marketing agreements, or LMAs, and joint sales agreements, or JSAs. Under an LMA or a JSA, the company operating a station provides programming or sales and marketing or a combination of such services on behalf of the owner of a station. The broadcast revenue and operating expenses of stations operated by us under LMAs and JSAs have been included in our results of operations since the respective effective dates of such agreements.

THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2004 COMPARED TO THREE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2003

**NET BROADCASTING REVENUE.** Net broadcasting revenues in the second quarter of 2004 were \$107.3 million compared with \$95.4 million in the second quarter of 2003, an increase of \$11.9 million, or 12.5%. The increase in revenue is due to station acquisitions completed subsequent to June 30, 2003 and higher revenues from most of our existing stations, primarily due to increases in local advertising revenue.

**OPERATING EXPENSES.** Operating expenses increased \$1.0 million, or 1.1%, to \$95.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2004 from \$94.0 million for the three months ended June 30, 2003. This was primarily due to increases in cost of revenues and selling, general, and administrative expenses of \$6.6 million, primarily due to stations acquired subsequent to June 30, 2003, offset by decreased corporate non-cash stock compensation expense and depreciation and amortization of \$1.2 million and \$4.6 million, respectively. The compensation expense relates to stock options granted to and shares of common stock issued to our Chief Executive Officer in 2002. Depreciation and amortization expense of \$30.8 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2004 was \$4.6 million, or 13.0%, lower than the \$35.4 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. Amortization expense for the quarters ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 included approximately \$23.6 million and \$28.8 million, respectively, of expense related to the Company's advertiser base asset established upon the initial acquisition of Citadel Communications Corporation in June 2001. The amortization for the advertiser base will decline significantly in the second half of 2004.

**OPERATING INCOME.** Operating income for the second quarter 2004 was \$12.3 million compared with \$1.5 million in the corresponding 2003 period, resulting in an overall improvement of \$10.8 million. The increase in operating income for the second quarter 2004 was primarily due to higher net broadcasting revenue and decreases in depreciation and amortization and corporate non-cash stock compensation.

**INTEREST EXPENSE, NET.** Net interest expense decreased \$10.2 million to \$3.5 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2004 from \$13.7 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2003, a decrease of 74.5%. Net interest expense included amortization of deferred financing costs of approximately \$0.5 million and \$0.9 million for the three-month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. This decrease in net interest expense was primarily due to a reduction in both outstanding borrowings under the Company's senior credit facility and lower interest rates for the quarter ended June 30, 2004 as well as the repayment of \$500.0 million of 6% subordinated notes on February 18, 2004, partially offset by the concurrent issuance of \$330.0 million of 1.875% convertible notes.

**INCOME TAX EXPENSE.** Income tax expense for the quarter ended June 30, 2004 was \$8.5 million compared with \$6.8 million for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. The income tax expense for each of the quarters ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 was primarily due to the amortization of indefinite lived intangibles for income tax purposes, for which no benefit can be recognized in the financial statements until the assets are disposed of.

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**NET INCOME (LOSS).** Net income for the quarter ended June 30, 2004 was \$0.3 million, or \$0.00 per basic and diluted share, as compared to a net loss of \$19.0 million, or \$0.20 per basic and diluted share, for the same period in 2003. The net income (loss) for both periods was significantly impacted by depreciation and amortization expense and non-cash stock compensation expense of \$30.8 million and \$0.9 million, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2004, and \$35.4 million and \$2.1 million, respectively, for the three months ended June 30, 2003.

**NET INCOME (LOSS) PER SHARE.** During the three months ended June 30, 2004, basic net income per share is computed by dividing net income available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. During the three months ended June 30, 2004, diluted net income per share is computed in the same manner as basic net income after assuming issuance of common stock for all potentially dilutive equivalent shares, which includes (1) stock options (using the treasury stock method), and (2) the conversion of the Company's convertible subordinated notes after eliminating from net income the interest expense incurred on the convertible subordinated notes. Anti-dilutive instruments are not considered in this calculation. For the three months ended June 30, 2004, stock options were included in the calculation of net income per share as their effect was dilutive; however, the effect of the convertible subordinated notes was not included in the calculation of net income per share as the effect was anti-dilutive. During the three months ended June 30, 2003, basic net loss per share is computed by dividing loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of Class A common shares outstanding for the period. The Class A common shares were redesignated as common stock in connection with the Company's initial public offering completed in the third quarter of 2003.

### **SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2004 COMPARED TO SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2003**

**NET BROADCASTING REVENUE.** Net broadcasting revenues for the six months ended June 30, 2004 were \$194.2 million compared with \$172.6 million for the six months ended June 30, 2003, an increase of \$21.6 million, or 12.5%. The increase in revenue is due to station acquisitions completed subsequent to June 30, 2003 and higher revenues from most of our existing stations, primarily due to increases in local advertising revenue.

**OPERATING EXPENSES.** Operating expenses increased \$0.9 million, or 0.5%, to \$185.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004 from \$184.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2003. This was primarily due to decreases in corporate non-cash stock compensation expense and depreciation and amortization of \$3.4 million and \$8.4 million, respectively, offset by increased cost of revenues and selling, general, and administrative expenses of \$12.2 million, primarily due to stations acquired subsequent to June 30, 2003. The compensation expense relates to stock options granted to and shares of common stock issued to our Chief Executive Officer in 2002. Depreciation and amortization expense of \$62.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004 was \$8.4 million, or 11.9%, lower than the \$70.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2003. Amortization expense for the six months ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 included approximately \$48.9 million and \$57.7 million, respectively, of expense related to the Company's advertiser base assets established upon the initial acquisition of Citadel Communications Corporation in June 2001. The amortization for the advertiser base will decline significantly in the second half of 2004.

**OPERATING INCOME (LOSS).** Operating income for the six months ended June 30, 2004 was \$8.5 million compared with an operating loss of \$12.3 million in the corresponding 2003 period, resulting in an overall improvement of \$20.8 million. The improvement for the six months ended June 30, 2004 was primarily due to higher net broadcasting revenue and decreases in depreciation and amortization and corporate non-cash stock compensation.

**INTEREST EXPENSE, NET.** Net interest expense decreased \$18.0 million to \$9.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004 from \$27.7 million for the six months ended June 30, 2003, a decrease of 65.0%. Net interest expense included amortization of deferred financing costs of approximately \$1.0 million and \$1.8 million for the six-month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003, respectively. This decrease in net interest expense was primarily due to a reduction in both outstanding borrowings under the Company's senior credit facility and lower interest rates for the six months ended June 30, 2004 as well as the repayment of \$500.0 million of 6% subordinated notes on February 18, 2004, partially offset by the concurrent issuance of \$330.0 million of 1.875% convertible notes.

**WRITE OFF OF DEFERRED FINANCING COSTS DUE TO EXTINGUISHMENT OF DEBT.** In connection with the repayment of its 6% subordinated debentures in the first quarter of 2004, the Company wrote off deferred financing costs of approximately \$10.6 million. For further information, see the discussion below under the heading "Subordinated Debt".

**INCOME TAX EXPENSE.** Income tax expense for the six months ended June 30, 2004 was \$17.3 million compared with expense of \$12.8 million for the six months ended June 30, 2003. The income tax expense for each of the six month periods ended June 30, 2004 and 2003 was primarily due to the amortization of indefinite lived intangibles for income tax purposes, for which no benefit can be recognized in the financial statements until the assets are disposed of.



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**NET LOSS.** Net loss for the six months ended June 30, 2004 was \$29.3 million, or \$0.23 per basic and diluted share, as compared to a net loss of \$52.8 million, or \$0.55 per basic and diluted share, for the same period in 2003. The net loss for both periods was significantly impacted by depreciation and amortization expense and non-cash stock compensation expense of \$62.4 million and \$2.6 million, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2004, and \$70.8 million and \$6.0 million, respectively, for the six months ended June 30, 2003.

**NET LOSS PER SHARE.** During the six months ended June 30, 2004, basic net loss per share is computed by dividing loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding. During the six months ended June 30, 2003, basic net loss per share is computed by dividing loss available to common shareholders by the weighted average number of Class A common shares outstanding for the period. The Class A common shares were redesignated as common stock in connection with the Company's initial public offering completed in the third quarter of 2003.

### LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our primary sources of liquidity are cash provided by operations, undrawn commitments available under our credit facility and proceeds generated from the sale of our debt and equity securities.

**STOCK AND CONVERTIBLE NOTES OFFERINGS:** On February 18, 2004, we completed a public offering of 29,630,000 shares of our common stock at \$19.00 per share, including 9,630,000 primary shares sold by us and 20,000,000 shares sold by certain of our shareholders. On the same date, we completed a private placement of \$330.0 million of convertible notes due 2011. We used the approximately \$500.0 million of net proceeds we received from these two offerings to redeem all of our outstanding 6% subordinated debentures. On May 13, 2004, we effected the shelf registration covering resales of our convertible subordinated notes with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**OPERATING ACTIVITIES.** Net cash provided by operating activities was \$59.3 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004 as compared to \$31.3 million for the comparable six-month period in 2003. The increase was primarily due to the increase in net broadcasting revenues of \$21.6 million and the decrease in net interest expense of \$18.0 million, offset by an increase in cost of revenues and selling, general and administrative expenses of \$12.2 million.

**INVESTING AND FINANCING ACTIVITIES.** Net cash used in investing activities increased to \$156.4 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004, as compared to \$40.9 million for the six months ended June 30, 2003. During 2004, approximately \$160.1 million was used for acquisitions of radio stations and capital expenditures, which includes buildings, studio equipment, towers and transmitters, vehicles and other assets utilized in the operation of our stations, compared to \$41.4 million for similar costs in the 2003 period.

Net cash provided by financing activities was \$99.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2004, as compared to \$12.3 million for the same period in 2003. For the six months ended June 30, 2004, the net cash provided by financing activities included proceeds from the issuance of our common stock of \$175.7 million, net of underwriting commissions and other stock issuance costs of approximately \$7.3 million, and the concurrent sale of \$330.0 million principal amount of convertible subordinated notes, before underwriting discount and other debt issuance costs of approximately \$7.3 million. The Company used all of the net proceeds from these transactions to retire the \$500.0 million of subordinated debentures. Additionally, during the first six months of 2004, the Company increased its net borrowings under its senior debt by \$100.5 million primarily to complete the acquisition of radio stations in Memphis, TN and Springfield, MA. For the six months ended June 30, 2003, the net cash used in financing activities was primarily due to total net borrowings on senior debt of \$14.0 million.

During the six months ended June 30, 2004, we completed the acquisition of four radio stations in the Memphis, TN market and two radio stations in the Springfield, MA market for an aggregate cash purchase price of approximately \$122.2 million. We funded these and other acquisitions through cash flows from operating activities and borrowings under our revolving credit facility.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2004, we entered into an agreement to acquire one radio station for a purchase price of approximately \$16.0 million. In connection with this acquisition, we loaned \$16.0 million to the seller to obtain this station and have agreed to guarantee up to \$10.0 million of the seller's other financing for one year. As we have provided the seller's financing for the station that is to be acquired, this station has been consolidated into our financial statements during the quarter ended June 30, 2004 under the guidance contained in FIN No. 46.

In addition to debt service, our principal liquidity requirements are for working capital and general corporate purposes, capital expenditures and acquisitions of additional radio stations. Our capital expenditures totaled \$4.3 million during the six months ended June 30, 2004, as compared to \$3.2 million during the six months ended June 30, 2003. For the fiscal year ending December 31, 2004, we estimate that capital expenditures necessary for our facilities will be approximately \$10.0 million. We believe that cash flows from operating activities, together with availability under our revolving credit facility, should be sufficient for us to fund our current operations for at least the next 12 months.



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On June 29, 2004, we announced that our board of directors had authorized us to spend up to \$100.0 million to repurchase shares of our outstanding common stock. As of June 30, 2004, we had not repurchased any common stock under this program. As of August 3, 2004, we have repurchased approximately 1.2 million shares of our common stock for an aggregate amount of approximately \$16.1 million.

To the extent we require additional capital to fund our capital expenditures, pending or future acquisitions, stock repurchases, or any of our other contractual or commercial commitments, we intend to seek additional funding in the credit or capital markets and there can be no assurance that we will be able to obtain financing on terms acceptable to us.

**Senior Debt**

On June 26, 2001, we entered into a senior credit facility with a syndicate of banks and other financial institutions. The facility includes both term loans and revolving loans. Effective April 5, 2004, we amended our credit facility and, in connection therewith, activated a portion of our incremental revolving loan facility in the aggregate amount of \$57.5 million and a portion of our incremental term loan facility in the aggregate amount of \$57.5 million. The \$57.5 million borrowed under the incremental term loan facility was used to repay amounts outstanding under the revolving loan facility. As of June 30, 2004, our senior credit facility consisted of the following:

	<b>Commitment</b>	<b>Balance Outstanding (as of June 30, 2004)</b>
Tranche A term loan	\$ 69,111,111	\$ 69,111,111
Incremental tranche A term loan	57,500,000	57,500,000
Revolving credit facility	257,500,000	142,000,000

*Availability.* The amount available under our credit facility at June 30, 2004 was \$115.5 million in the form of revolving credit commitments. This excludes approximately \$2.1 million in letters of credit outstanding as of June 30, 2004. Our ability to borrow under our credit facility is limited by our ability to comply with several financial covenants as well as a requirement that we make various representations and warranties at the time of borrowing. Payments made on the tranche A term loans reduce the commitment under our credit agreement and therefore the funds are not available for future borrowings.

*Interest.* At our election, interest on any outstanding principal accrues at a rate based on either: (a) the greater of (1) the Prime Rate in effect; (2) the secondary market rate for three-month certificates of deposit from time to time plus 1%; or (3) the Federal Funds Rate plus 0.5%, in each case, plus a spread that ranges from 0.00% to 1.50%, depending on our leverage ratio; or (b) the Eurodollar rate (grossed-up for reserve requirements) plus a spread that ranges from 1.00% to 2.50%, depending on our leverage ratio.

*Maturity and Amortization.* The tranche A term loan for approximately \$69.1 million is repayable in quarterly installments pursuant to a predetermined payment schedule over a period of five years beginning on September 30, 2004, in amounts ranging from \$4.1 million and increasing to \$5.1 million for the final four quarterly repayments. The final quarterly payment on that tranche A term loan is due June 26, 2008. Both the incremental tranche A term loan and revolving loan are due in full on March 31, 2009.

*Security and Guarantees.* Our operating subsidiary, Citadel Broadcasting Company, is the primary borrower under this facility. We and each of our other subsidiaries have guaranteed the performance of Citadel Broadcasting Company under our credit facility. We and each of our subsidiaries have pledged to our lenders all of the equity interests in and intercompany notes issued by each of our respective subsidiaries.

*Non-Financial Covenants.* Our credit facility contains customary restrictive non-financial covenants, which, among other things, and with certain exceptions, limit our ability to incur additional indebtedness, liens and contingent obligations, enter into transactions with affiliates, make acquisitions, declare or pay dividends, redeem or repurchase capital stock, enter into sale and leaseback transactions, consolidate, merge or effect asset sales, make capital expenditures, make investments, loans, enter into derivative contracts, or change the nature of our business. At June 30, 2004, we were in compliance with all non-financial covenants under our credit facility.



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*Financial Covenants.* Our credit facility contains covenants related to the satisfaction of financial ratios and compliance with financial tests, including ratios with respect to maximum leverage, minimum interest coverage and minimum fixed charge coverage. At June 30, 2004, we were in compliance with all financial covenants under our credit facility.

**Subordinated Debt and Convertible Subordinated Notes**

In June 2001, we issued an aggregate of \$500.0 million of subordinated debentures. On February 18, 2004, we sold 9,630,000 shares of our common stock at \$19.00 per share, before underwriting discount of \$0.66 per share. Additionally, we concurrently sold \$330.0 million principal amount of convertible subordinated notes, before underwriting discount of approximately \$6.6 million. We used all of the net proceeds from these transactions to retire the \$500.0 million of subordinated debentures. In connection with the repayment of the subordinated debentures, we wrote off deferred financing costs of approximately \$10.6 million. The convertible subordinated notes are due 2011 and were issued in a private placement to qualified institutional buyers in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Rule 144A. The notes bear interest at a rate of 1.875% per annum, payable February 15 and August 15 each year. Holders may convert these notes into common stock at a conversion rate of 39.2157 shares of common stock per \$1,000 principal amount of notes, equal to a conversion price of \$25.50 per share. We may redeem the notes at any time prior to maturity if the closing price of our common stock has exceeded 150% of the conversion price then in effect for at least 20 trading days within a period of 30 consecutive trading days. Upon such a redemption, an additional payment would be due to the holder. Holders may require us to repurchase all or part of their notes at par plus accrued interest upon the occurrence of a fundamental change (as defined in the indenture governing the terms of the notes). On May 13, 2004, we effected the shelf registration covering resales of our convertible subordinated notes with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

**Recent Accounting Pronouncements**

In January 2003, the FASB issued Interpretation No. 46, *Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities, an Interpretation of ARB No. 51, Consolidated Financial Statements*. FIN No. 46 was effective for one transaction entered into by us in 2003. The FASB amended FIN No. 46 in December of 2003. The revised provisions of FIN No. 46 were effective for us in the first quarter of 2004, and FIN No. 46 was applicable for one additional transaction entered into by us in the second quarter of 2004. This interpretation may be applied prospectively with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date on which it is first applied or by restating previously issued financial statements for one or more years with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the beginning of the first year restated.

**Critical Accounting Policies**

We prepare our consolidated financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which require us to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenue and expenses, and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable judgments. Actual results could differ from these estimates under different assumptions and conditions. In Management's Discussion and Analysis contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003, we summarized the policies and estimates that we believe to be most critical in understanding the judgments involved in preparing our financial statements and the uncertainties that could affect our results of operations, financial condition and cash flows. There have been no material changes on such policies or estimates since we filed our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.

**Contractual and Commercial Commitments**

Due to the completion of our secondary offering in February of 2004 (See *Liquidity and Capital Resources - Stock and Convertible Notes Offerings*), the contractual commitments under our senior debt and subordinated debt have been significantly reduced. As of June 30, 2004, we had \$142.0 million outstanding under the revolving portion of our senior debt and \$330.0 million outstanding under our convertible notes. The table below details the revised payments due under our senior debt and convertible subordinated notes. Interest payments related to the convertible subordinated notes and our credit facility have not been included in the contractual obligation table below.

<b>Contractual Obligation</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Less than 1 year</b>	<b>1 to 3 years</b>	<b>Beyond 3 Years</b>
Senior debt and convertible subordinated notes	\$ 598.6	\$ 16.3	\$ 32.5	\$ 549.8

As of the date of this filing, we have an outstanding agreement to acquire two radio stations for an aggregate purchase price of approximately \$14.5 million.



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There have been no other significant changes in our contractual and commercial commitments as of June 30, 2004 as compared to amounts disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2003.

***Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements***

On July 2, 2003, we entered into a local marketing agreement related to a radio station in Knoxville, Tennessee. During the three-year term of this agreement, the current station owner has the option, but not the obligation, to require us to purchase all of the assets of the station for \$12.0 million. In accordance with FASB Interpretation No. 46, we have determined that this is a variable interest entity and that we are the primary beneficiary of the variable interest entity. Accordingly, the entity has been consolidated with our operations as of August 2003.

During the quarter ended June 30, 2004, we entered into an agreement to acquire one radio station for a purchase price of approximately \$16.0 million and completed the acquisition in July 2004. In connection with this acquisition, we agreed to guarantee up to \$10.0 million of the seller's other financing for one year.

We have no other material off-balance sheet arrangements or transactions.

**Impact of Inflation**

We do not believe inflation has a significant impact on our operations. However, there can be no assurance that future inflation would not have an adverse impact on our operating results and financial condition.

**ITEM 3. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

We are exposed to a number of financial market risks in the ordinary course of business. We believe our primary financial market risk exposure pertains to interest rate changes, primarily as a result of our credit agreement, which bears interest based on variable rates. We have not taken any action to cover interest rate market risk, and are not a party to any interest rate market risk management activities. We have performed a sensitivity analysis assuming a hypothetical increase in interest rates of 100 basis points applied to the \$268.6 million of variable rate debt that was outstanding as of June 30, 2004. Based on this analysis, the impact on future earnings for the following twelve months would be approximately \$2.7 million of increased interest expense. This potential increase is based on certain simplifying assumptions, including a constant level of variable rate debt and a constant interest rate based on the variable rates in place as of June 30, 2004.

We believe our receivables do not represent a significant concentration of credit risk due to the wide variety of customers and markets in which we operate.

**ITEM 4. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

Prior to the filing of this report, we carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of the Company's management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-14(c) and 15d-14(c) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the Exchange Act)). Based on this evaluation, our Chief Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer concluded that, as of June 30, 2004, our disclosure controls and procedures were effective in timely alerting them to material information required to be included in our periodic SEC reports. Disclosure controls and procedures are controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized, and reported within the time periods specified in the SEC's rules and forms, including, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in our reports filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosures.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the period covered by this report or subsequent to the date of our Chief Executive Officer's and Principal Financial Officer's last evaluation that materially affected, or were reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

Our disclosure controls and procedures are designed to provide a reasonable level of assurance of reaching our desired disclosure objective and are effective in reaching that level of reasonable assurance.



Table of Contents**PART II OTHER INFORMATION****ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to Note 10 to the consolidated condensed financial statements included in Part I, Item 1.

**ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS**

In connection with the Company's annual meeting held on May 24, 2004, a majority of stockholders re-elected David W. Checketts, J. Anthony Forstmann, and Charles P. Rose, Jr. as directors and ratified the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the Company's independent accountants for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2004.

The results of voting for the election of directors were as follows:

<b>Director</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>	<b>Abstain/Withheld</b>
David W. Checketts	115,738,187	-	-	2,743,801
J. Anthony Forstmann	107,099,100	-	-	11,382,888
Charles P. Rose, Jr.	115,737,387	-	-	2,744,601

The results of voting for the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP were as follows:

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Non-Votes</b>
118,438,392	15,571	28,025	-

**ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K**

## (a) Exhibits

The following exhibits are furnished or filed herewith:

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Exhibit Description</b>
10.1	Fourth Amendment, dated as of April 5, 2004, to the Credit Agreement, dated as of April 3, 2001, among Citadel Broadcasting Company, Citadel Communications Corporation, the Registrant, certain lenders, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Administrative Agent, and Fleet National Bank, as Documentation Agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.25 to Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1 (No. 333-115153).
10.2	Fifth Amendment, dated as of June 30, 2004, to the Credit Agreement, dated as of April 3, 2001, among Citadel Broadcasting Company, Citadel Communications Corporation, the Registrant, certain lenders, JPMorgan Chase Bank, as Administrative Agent, and Fleet National Bank, as Documentation Agent.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of

- 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 31.2 Certification of Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- 32.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
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(b) Reports on Form 8-K

The Company filed a Current Report on Form 8-K (Item 12) dated April 29, 2004 for the purpose of furnishing its earnings release dated April 29, 2004 regarding its financial results for the first quarter of 2004.

The Company filed a Current Report on Form 8-K (Items 5 and 7) dated June 30, 2004 for the purpose of announcing a stock repurchase program.

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***SIGNATURES***

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION**

Date: August 6, 2004

By: /s/ FARID SULEMAN

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Farid Suleman  
Chairman of the Board  
Chief Executive Officer  
(Principal Executive Officer)

**CITADEL BROADCASTING CORPORATION**

Date: August 6, 2004

By: /s/ RANDY L. TAYLOR

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Randy L. Taylor  
Vice President - Finance and Secretary  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)



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